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Two Bears, Pettibone and Zunker win election, Maney challenges candidate’s qualification

Ken Luchterhand
Staff Writer

Another challenge to the Election Board is before the court.

Joann Earth Maney filed a challenge against the Ho-Chunk Election Board in Tribal Court on Thursday, Aug. 8.

Maney lost the July 30 Special Run-Off Election for the Legislator District 5 Seat 3 to Robert Two Bears by three votes, with 44 votes for Maney and 47 votes for Two Bears.

In the other Legislator seat, District 1 Seat 3, Lori Pettibone won by 29 votes over Rhonda Winneshiek-Anderson. Pettibone received 162 votes while Winneshiek-Anderson received 133 votes.

Also, Tricia Zunker won the election for Supreme Court – Associate Justice 1 with 197 votes, defeating Samantha Greendeer Skenandore who received 183 votes in a special election on Aug. 10.

Maney’s challenge of the elec-

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Results Special Election SUPREME COURT- ASSOCIATE JUSTICE 1 August 10, 2013 Official Results



	CHICAGO	MILWAUKEE	MADISON	DELS	RAPIDS	LACROSSE	BLACKRIVER	MINNET PAUL	TOMAH	WITTENBERG	GREEN BAY	BARABOO	ABSENTEE	TOTAL	%
SUPREME COURT - ASSOCIATE JUSTICE 1															
SAMANTHA C. GREENDEER-SKENANDORE	1	3	8	4	2	9	81	7	34	10	8	14	2	183	48.16%
TRICIA ZUNKER	7	17	3	9	16	5	58	10	16	22	1	17	16	197	51.84%

Ho-Chunk Nation Election Results Special Run-Off Election July 30, 2013

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District 1 Legislator Seat 3															
RHONDA WINNESHIEK-ANDERSON	0	0	1	0	0	0	120	3	1	1	0	1	6	133	45.08%
LORI PETTIBONE	0	0	5	1	0	2	141	4	0	0	0	3	6	162	54.92%
District 5 Legislator Seat 3															
JOANN EARTH MANEY	11	0	0	0	0	2	1	18	1	0	0	1	10	44	48.35%
ROBERT V. TWO BEARS	12	0	0	0	0	0	4	18	0	0	0	3	10	47	51.65%

tion Board is because the Board allowed Two Bears’ name on the ballot, which she believes is not proper, since Two Bears ran for two different seats in the same election.

“I looked in the Election Code and saw that a candidate can run for only one seat,” Maney said. “Two Bears had run as Legislator

in District 5 Seat 1 (in the March 5 Primary Election), along with the District 5 Seat 3 position.”

A pretrial hearing for Maney’s challenge to the Election Board is set for 1:30 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 16.

Waiting before the court are two other challenges to the Election Board.

Kim Waukau and Jim Greendeer have appealed to the Supreme Court a lower court’s decision against their challenge of the Election Board concerning a change of venue of the Tomah polling place with improper notification. The decision on that case is forthcoming.

Also, Jeremy Rockman is challenging the Election

Board in not allowing him to be sworn-in as Supreme Court Associate Justice, citing that he did not meet the qualifications. Two judges have recused themselves from the case and Rockman is awaiting any notification of a court date.

Clarification

Ken Luchterhand, Staff Writer

In response to the front-page article “Jeremy Rockman challenges Election Board” in Issue 14, July 26, 2013 issue of the Hocak Worak, two of the people quoted in the article would like to clarify their positions.

Dominic Bell stated that, at the Election Board certification meeting on June 5, he made a motion to certify the election results for Jeremy Rockman, but not declare him the winner because he had not completed his lay advocate training at time of certification.

Also, Wendi Huling, Department of Justice legal representative for the Board, stated that she said Rockman needed to have completed Lay Advocacy training before certification of the election results.

A request to receive meeting minutes for the June 5 and June 28 meetings has been made by the Hocak Worak, but not received at this time to verify the statements.

Also, in the article, the names of Samantha Greendeer-Skenandore and Tricia Zunker were inadvertently spelled incorrectly.

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Wisconsin Chief got First Class last meal

Reprinted from *These are Your Sons*
Sergeant Pal Liberated “Neutral” Chickens at Risk of His Life for Cpl. Red Cloud.
By: Father Timothy J. Mulvey
Sgt. Willy Rutherford, who claims all of New Jersey for his home town, saw the chickens walking about in a most disorderly fashion. As mess sergeant of Company E, 19th Infantry regiment, 24th division, it wounded his professional instincts to see so much poultry skittering about the country side unattended. “See those chickens Fergie?” Rutherford passed the binoculars to Sgt. Ferguson. “There’s a dozen of them at least and sure as shootin’ the Commies are going to liberate them.”

“Aw, who cares about chickens?”
“Take a look at them. I’m pretty sure they’re chickens.”
Ferguson squinted through binoculars. “That’s away up in no man’s land, Willy. They’re chickens I’ll admit, but I say to heck with them.”
“Just a minute,” Rutherford interrupted. “Our boys have been in the line 90 straight days. Ninety. They’ve been eating nothing but canned rations. It’s about time they had a fricassee or something.”
“Are you going away up there just for chickens?”
Willy Rutherford took another look through the binoculars. “Genuine Anju fryers, plumb as butterballs. Fergie, we’ve got to do something.”
“It’s suicide.”
“Are you game?”

“Okay.”
Slugs Began to Sing
Two GI’s picked their way like foxes over the frozen November landscape. In less than an hour 10 squawking were trussed and bundled in their arms. Then a series of rifle slugs began to sing over their heads.
“Duck, Fergie, they got us spotted.”
“I told you this was suicide, Willy. Let’s scam out of here.”
“Wait. We came this far and nobody takes a chicken off me except over my dead body.”
The two GI’s and their 10 chickens were pinned down for more than 20 minutes that November afternoon. When they finally made a dash with Willy in the lead, there was a moment of anguish.
“Did they hit you, Fergie?”
“No, its only these lousy chickens. They’re yelling blue murder.”
Sgt. Willy Rutherford scurried about the mess tent that afternoon with a gleam in his eyes. “It’s not much, but let’s do it up right, fellows. I want to give the chief a feed tonight.”
A feed for the chief!
The chief, Cpl. Mitchell Red Cloud of Friendship, Wis., was a full blooded Indian. Willy and the chief were friends from away back. They had come over on the ship together. This very evening, Willy might have been stationed with the chief on Hill 123.
Willy Rutherford was, by rights, a rifleman. “But let me tell you something,”

Willy says, “after those first few raids here in Korea I let everybody know I was a good cook.”
The chief was a modest gent. He was quiet, serious, but sometimes full of the big talk about the way the war should end.
“You want to know how I feel about this war? Okay, I’ll tell you. It’s like this. Let people share the land all over the world. Everywhere. That’s the way to settle all these wars. I know. I know what my own people have suffered. If we had men in different governments big enough to open up the land for anybody who wants to work it, we would not have wars.” The chief’s young face would always be serious when he spoke this way. His dark eyes would blaze.
Wrapped Arms Around Tree
The chief, at 6:30 on the morning of Nov. 5, jumped to his feet. He was the first to detect the approach of the enemy. He lifted his Browning, a heavy gun by any standards, and pointed it at the enemy who swarmed up Hill 123.
“They’re coming in,” the chief screamed.
Then he sagged under the bullets that tore his flesh. The chief was down. He was a dying man. Slowly he rose to his feet.
He wrapped his arms around a tree. That is the picture we have of him – a dying Indian defiant in his last stand.
Sgt. Malden, the platoon leader saw chief weaving

in the agony of death. The chief wouldn’t go down. One stout arm held the Browning. Devastating point blank fire blazed from his gun. The chief was gaining time for the company to consolidate its defense around the command post.
Then slowly, the chief began to wilt. Inch by inch, still hugging the tree, he settled to earth.
Then artist who could ever capture that picture would have to search long for paints that could catch the autumn blaze of America’s forests and the bronze faced fury of a brave at bay.
Cpl. Mitchell Red Cloud, American in every fiber of his young body died with his arm locked about a tree.
I had a long talk with Willy Rutherford. He speaks with affection about the chief. Awards and decorations are fine. They’re the things the country gives you on paper. Sometimes you get them when you’re alive. Sometimes you get them when you’re dead.
What a grateful nation gave the medal of honor to the memory of the chief, it was as nothing compared with what Willy gave him the night before he died.
“I gave him a first class feed,” Willy says, “I gave him fried chicken, mashed potatoes, giblet gravy, buttered peas, coffee and pineapple upsidedown cake. That was the last thing he ever ate. I fed the chief first class.”

To the Editor:
Sign Language and Finger Spelling Skills
People who are interested in becoming sign language interpreters must have excellent sign language and finger spelling skills. Some people begin developing sign language skills at a young age. Through communication with relatives who are deaf or hard of hearing. Others take an interest in learning to sign later in life. Studying sign language in high school or college level or through adult education course or local agencies. Elementary students can have fun learning a valuable

skill. Start s sign language club.
Sign language would be a very good skill, added to skills you already have. Social work, Police, EMT, Priest/Pastors, teachers and anyone who comes in contact with the public, and all students who are interested. (K-12).
Talking with your hands listening with your eyes a complete photographic guide to American sign language. By Gabriel Grayson. Square one publishers.
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Patrick Greyhair
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H.A.G.A. Veteran Golf Outing



First place:
Marv Davidson, Jesse Cleveland Ken Littlegeorge Jr. and Marty Littlewolf



Second place:
Delores Greendeer, Greg Kruger, Bruce Decorah and Denis Rockman



Third place:
Bob Eckles, Wesley Cloud, Wayne Peters and Kristin Akkerman.

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Donald Greengrass	Donald I. Greengrass	Army
Tracy Thundercloud	Lawrence Thundercloud	Navy

We also want to "Thank" the Veteran Affairs Office for the donation of the "Honorarium Flags" for the Veterans.

Smoking, smoking with Diabetes, smoking while pregnant

Submitted by Justice Hunter Blackhawk, Diabetes Team Youth Worker

Smoking is a hazard for anyone, even for the healthiest of people. This is because one cigarette can contain up to 4,800 chemicals, 70 of which are carcinogens that have been found to cause cancer after long periods of exposure. Not only has smoking been known to cause numerous cancers but other illnesses as well. These illnesses include the following: Chronic Bronchitis (which is a long term bronchial inflammation), emphysema (which is a condition that causes the lungs to lose function and shape), coronary heart disease, stroke, aortic aneurysm, pneumonia, and periodontitis. Other more serious illnesses include the following: Bladder, esophagus, lung, oral, throat, cervical, kidney, stomach and pancreatic cancers which have been painful and fatal to most individuals. You are at higher risk for these conditions because when you smoke you inhale those 4,800

chemicals, 70 of which are carcinogens that pass through your digestive, filtration and circulatory systems, damaging them. To add on to the list of illnesses here is another scary fact, researchers found that smokers die significantly younger than non-smokers, as much as 13 years are shaved off for men that smoke and 14.5 on average for women that smoke. Amazing right? It is kind of hard to believe that a little cigarette can do so much damage to the human body over time. Now let us talk about smoking while pregnant. Smoking during pregnancy accounts for an estimated 30 % of low birth weight, 14% of pre-term births, and 10% of all infant deaths. Even seemingly happy and healthy babies after birth have been found to have narrowed airways, reduced lung function and weakened heart function due to their mothers smoking. This is because when you inhale those 4,800 chemicals, 70 of which are carcinogens that have been

found to cause cancer, your baby does too, damaging their tissue while organs form. A little selfish don't you think? By tending to your addiction to nicotine you are neglecting the health of your baby. Now let's talk about people with diabetes. As stated earlier smoking is a hazard for anyone, even for the healthiest of people, but people with diabetes or people with a risk of developing diabetes have an elevated risk of developing cancer or conditions associated with diabetes such as blindness, neuropathy, kidney failure, and heart disease. Researchers at CDC found that those who smoke and have diabetes have a higher A1C and higher blood glucose; these can lead to complications

making managing diabetes more difficult. Studies done at California State Polytechnic University found that when nicotine is added to human blood samples it raised hemoglobin A1C or HBA1C by as much as 34%. Another thing about nicotine is that it sticks to your blood platelets, similar to blood glucose, which in turn can cause a buildup of platelets, which can turn into a clot. Clots can cause blood vessels to burst damaging nerves and killing them. Nerves can die in a number of places ranging from your feet to your heart, or even worse, your brain. A clot in your brain can cause a stroke to happen. So after all of that it is obvious that in order to prevent complications you need to quit, even if it

means going cold turkey or seeking help. Now onto myself, at age 14 I smoked for a year. At first I loved the feeling of being light headed and being cool puffing on menthol cigarettes. I soon realized that it was a costly habit not only in my wallet but for my health also. Walking up stairs became difficult and my heart rate elevated for no reason, I started getting headaches too. I wanted to quit so I got educated and did so. It wasn't easy at first but I did it. I feel the best I've felt in a long time after quitting smoking. So ask yourself. Is a \$7 pack of smokes, containing 4,800 chemicals, 70 of which are carcinogens that have been found to cause cancer, really worth it?

What is the tobacco company doing now?

Submitted by Louise Voss, Community Health Educator

It has been a long time since we saw a billboard with Joe Camel on it or the Marlboro Man in the pages of magazines, but does this mean the Commercial Tobacco Companies have given up on trying to hook new smokers? The answer is "ABSOLUTLY NOT"!!! The Tobacco Companies are always coming up with new ways of hooking new, and younger, smokers while following the newer and more restrictive advertising laws. Here is my question if it is illegal to advertise to youth why are Commercial Tobacco Companies now coming out with flavored smokeless tobacco products that look like and are packaged like candy? These products, which are marketed to look like breath mints and candy, are very dangerous to little children. We all know little children like to put things in their mouth and kids are drawn to candy. Some of the new smokeless tobacco products look just like Tic Tac's or Skittles. If a child were to find these containers and eat some it would be toxic to the child.

How many times have we left our Altoids, Tic Tac, or breath mint containers out on the counter? I know I have done it many times. How often do your children look thru your purse looking for candy? Mine do. How easy is it for small children find these

containers and seeing the grownups open the container and eat what is inside do the same thing. Children eating these products are a major concern for many groups against corporate tobacco. According to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) nicotine poisoning can cause nausea or vomiting, and severe cases can result in convulsions, respiratory failure, and even death. Just under 0.5 milligrams of nicotine per pound of body weight is the minimum lethal dose for children. Fruit flavored tobacco products and packaging to look like candy is the new trend for tobacco companies. If you are going to use these products please be careful to teach your children that these are not candy, as young children easily mistake these tobacco products for pieces of candy. This kind of commercial tobacco is also increasingly popular with adolescents. Adolescents think this is harmless because it looks harmless, but they are exposing their brains and bodies to nicotine and starting the addiction cycle. If you use smokeless tobacco products and are interested in quitting contact Holly Rodenberg, RN or Louise Voss at the Ho-Chunk Health Care Center at 715-284-9851 and ask about commercial tobacco cessation opportunities.



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A small garden adorns the House of Wellness

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

Although they got a late start getting the plants into the ground Ho-Chunk Nation nutritionist Nicholle Oman, with the help of the House or Wellness maintenance workers, Paul Cloud, Sage Daugherty and Keith Ramos. The raised bed garden has been successfully producing tomatoes, orange bell peppers, Swiss chards and some green beans this year in the small but productive plot.

The Dells area youth garden has been kept by Nicholle

since it was planted this June. Nicholle has been with the Ho-Chunk Nation’s House of Wellness for the last two years and has been focused on the well being of the Nations people by teaching health, nutrition and diet. The garden will be food source for the Dells Youth who will be able to use the produce that is being grown right outside their doors.

Nicholle has to water the garden twice a day. She comes in on her weekends off to do that.



Nicholle Oman tends the garden which produces nutritious food for Dells Area Youth.

Get out the Grill!

Ho-Chunk Nation Nutrition Dept. Jessica Jennings, RD, CD, CLC

Instead of cooking in the oven on these warm summer days, fire up the grill and move your meal prep outside! Grilling is a fun, social activity, and there are nutritional benefits as well, especially when grilling vegetables. Some nutrients are lost when vegetables are boiled in water, and frying veggies leads to increased fat content. When grilling vegetables, many vitamins are retained. Also, brushing veggies with a small amount of olive oil before throwing them on the grill is both heart healthy and lower in fat than frying in large amounts of oil. Veggies that are great for grilling include mushrooms, onions, asparagus, bell peppers, and eggplant. Grilling is a tasty way to add more veggies to your diet and enjoy the summer weather as well!

Grilled Vegetable Pitas

MAKES: 2 servings

Ingredients:

- 1 4 ounce fresh Portobello mushroom
- 1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- Dash salt
- Dash ground black pepper
- 1/4 of a medium yellow or red sweet pepper, stem and seeds removed
- 1/4 cup chopped tomato
- 1 large whole wheat pita bread round, halved crosswise
- 8 fresh spinach leaves
- 8 small fresh basil leaves
- 1/3 cup crumbled feta or goat cheese

Directions:

1. If present, remove and discard mushroom stem. If desired, remove mushroom gills. In a small bowl, combine balsamic vinegar, olive oil, salt, and pepper. Gently brush half of the oil mixture over mushroom and sweet pepper.

2. Place mushroom and pepper on the rack of an uncovered grill directly over medium coals. Grill for 10 to 12 minutes or until the vegetables are lightly charred and tender, turning frequently.

3. Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, combine the remaining oil mixture and the tomato; toss gently to coat. Cut grilled mushroom and pepper into bite-size strips. Add mushroom and pepper strips to tomato mixture; toss gently to combine.

4. Open pita halves to create pockets. Line pita pockets with spinach and basil. Fill pita pockets with grilled vegetable mixture. Sprinkle with cheese. Serve immediately. Makes 2 servings

Nutrition Facts per Serving:
202 calories, 8g total fat, 3g sat. fat, 27g carbohydrate, 4g fiber, 500mg sodium



Diabetes & Native Americans

The American Diabetes Association— Working to Improve the Lives of Native Americans with Diabetes.

Advocacy

Advocacy at the American Diabetes Association (ADA) works to improve health care, fight discrimination, and increase the federal commitment to diabetes. ADA is a leader in supporting the Diabetes Prevention and Access to Care (DPAC) Act. This legislation seeks to promote and improve care, prevention, treatment and education of diabetes within racial and ethnic minority groups, including the Native American community.

Books

Our publications remain the nation’s most authoritative resources on diabetes, they include *Diabetes Forecast*, a monthly consumer magazine. ADA is also the world’s leading publisher of books for people with diabetes and health care professionals, with more than 160 titles in print.

Community-based Activities

Awakening the Spirit: Pathways to Diabetes Prevention & Control

Awakening the Spirit maintains a solid presence in the advocacy arena. Nationally and locally, volunteers work to encourage Members of Congress to continue funding grassroots diabetes education programs in Native American communities throughout the country. Writing, faxing, calling and visiting congressional members are several strategies employed at the community level to lobby for issues of concern specifically addressing diabetes needs in the Native American community. Recently, ADA spearheaded an effort wherein several Native American communities, representing 17 states, shared personal stories illustrating the critical role diabetes funding plays in their local efforts to create healthy communities. These stories were shared with various Members of Congress.

Call Center

Our trained staff at 1-800-DIABETES are dedicated to answering thousands of calls and e-mails every day from people with diabetes, their families, friends and health care providers. Information representatives serve as a source the public can count on to provide support, encouragement, and education on diabetes management; our Call Center is available M-F 8:30am-8:00pm. Information packets are tailored to meet the specific needs of each caller.

Research

The American Diabetes Association funds medical research to help people with diabetes live longer, healthier, and happier lives. ADA is currently supporting projects specifically targeting the Native American community. Topics include:

- The role of the primary care clinician in the prevention of diabetes among Native American adolescents and young adults in Southwestern communities
- Translator education and the translation of diabetes terms and concepts into Navajo

The Association recently began funding fellowships for under-represented minority postdoctoral candidates in an effort to increase the number of investigators of color pursuing careers in diabetes research.

Web Site

Our Web site, diabetes.org, widely regarded as one of the most informative diabetes and nutrition resources on the Web, averages more than 26 million page views each year. Persons seeking information specifically targeting the Native American community can visit our program pages as well as connect with others through our Native American Community Forum. Diabetes.org also offers a variety of free e-newsletters to keep you up to date on the latest diabetes information.

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Zayta Thundercloud passes on her crown

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

Last year at this time tribal member Zayta Thundercloud was contemplating just the thought of running for Miss Jackson County 2012, but on July 29th at the Milt Lunda Memorial Arena in Black River Falls. A then 16 year old Zayta beat out the other six contestants to win the Miss Jackson County pageant.

The pageant started in 1937 and has been going on since then without a Native American winner. Ms. Thundercloud was the pageant's first.

The daughter of Mark Thundercloud and Wendy Chamberlain, young Zayta said she really didn't know what the crown entailed.

"I guess I really didn't know what it really entailed. I knew it was a lot of work and (attending) a lot of events, but I didn't know how much we'd be involved in community service — which was really a bonus. It was great to work with the community and a real positive thing," Thundercloud said.

The Miss Jackson County Court attended about 70

events in and outside the county this last year — ranging from parades to the Jackson County Dairy Breakfast to Breakfast with the Easter Bunny to trips to Pine View Care Center.

A new Miss Jackson County Court was crowned Tuesday, July 30. The coronation returned to the Jackson County Fair Park for the second year in a row, and the program — which dates back to 1937 — will be at the Milt Lunda Memorial Arena.

Both Thundercloud and members of her court said their experience on the Miss Jackson County Court have shown them the importance of volunteering and have made them want to continue that in the future.

Thundercloud said she'd encourage others to run after her experience.

"It's boosted (me wanting) to volunteer," said Thundercloud, who'll be attending Dartmouth College, an Ivy League college in New Hampshire. "I just thought it's been so positive that I'd recommend it to anyone even just thinking about it. It's been a great experience."



Family members in attendance Judith Ann Thundercloud, Anne Thundercloud, Nehomah Thundercloud, Zayta, Wendy Chamberlain and Mark Thundercloud.

Her paternal great-grandparents are Emanuel "Soup" and Agnes Whitegull Thundercloud (both deceased) of Black River Falls, WI and Adam and Louella Mark (both deceased) of Laveen, Arizona. Her maternal grandparents are Loren and Rosella Young (both deceased) of Black River Falls.

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Accreditation Comment Period

The College of Menominee Nation is seeking comments from the public about the College in preparation for the periodic evaluation by its regional accrediting agency. CMN will host a visit October 23-25 by a team representing the Higher Learning Commission of the North Central Association.

The College was accepted for candidacy in 1996 and has been accredited by the Commission since 1998. The team will review the institution's ongoing ability to meet the Commission's Criteria for Accreditation.

The public is invited to submit comments regarding the College to:

**Third-Party Comment on the College of Menominee Nation
The Higher Learning Commission
230 South LaSalle Street, Suite 7-500
Chicago, IL 60604-1411**

The public may also submit comments on the Commission's website at:
www.ncahlc.org.

Public comments must be in writing and must address substantive matters related to the quality of the institution or its academic programs.

Comments must be received by September 20, 2013.

College of Menominee Nation

Mike Thunder resigns from the House of Wellness

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

The rivers and woods of Wisconsin is a real change from Sea World and beaches of San Diego California, but once you get used to the cold, snow and a little slower pace it could become a great memory that might last a lifetime.

What started with a Greyhound bus trip to Wisconsin 16 years ago has become that great lasting memory for tribal member Mike Thunder.

His departure back to California in a couple of weeks will conclude this leg of his journey.

Mike, the son of the late Mike Thunder came to Wisconsin while his dad was still alive to be closer to



House of Wellness logo.

him. He left the west coast, his mother and a lifetime of friends to be close to his dad and his native homeland. His father passed on last year.

“I came out here and not knowing anyone was a bit hard but soon I was accepted and welcomed into the tribe and that is something that I will never forget” Mike said.

Mike has been employed by the Nation pretty much since his arrival here in 1997. He had a brief stint in Milwaukee at the Potawatomie Casino but soon found himself a job closer to his dad who lived in the Dells area.

He went to school for a while to do automotive work but he realized a 6 foot 7 inch frame is not the easiest to fit under a car, especially in a Wisconsin winter.

He applied at the House of Wellness as a security guard around 2005 and with his bouncer / security experience he fit right in. He came on board and has been a part of the staff in Baraboo since then.

“I worked for the housing authority for a while with Tyrone Cloud and Nelson Funmaker before coming on at the House of Wellness. Also I worked at Crockett’s for a while and that was a nice job. I did a little bit of everything and had a great time working there.” Mike said.

He will leave his job and head back to California with a bunch of good memories.

His mom is still alive and living in San Diego and he wants to spend time with her now.

“I prayed about it and gave it a lot of thought and this feels right. I know it is the right time to head back. I have friends back there who are constantly asking about me and now I have friends here that I will miss now also.” Mike said.

His supervisor Gary Lonetree Jr. said that he will be missed.

“Mike really matured as a professional and took a lot of pride in his job. He took on extra responsibility and got involved doing CCTV work, installing our security cameras and putting systems together

for the facility. He took on the position of lead officer and helped out when I wasn’t around. He just did an excellent job and it will be a big loss for us” Gary said.

Mike’s resignation and relocation

Hello friends and family,

As a few of you already know I have been planning to relocate to San Diego, California for some time now. My time draws close and I had a minute to pause and write you all a little something to say thank you and let you know what you all meant to me. For almost the last 10 years I have served as a Security Officer here at the House of Wellness. It has been a blessing and chance for growth in my life. It has shaped me into more than I was prior. In thinking about it I realized that my attitude has gone from one of indifference to knowing that if any of you were in danger that I would put your life before my own. Some may call this growing up, or even professionalism; I however have a much simpler view of it. I think it is just viewing you all as family.

There are many things I will miss about being here (I say being, because I like it here and it doesn’t seem like work a lot of the time) like the conversations I have had with a lot of you in the smoking area, the jokes we’ve passed back and forth, the teasing, and the laughter that has echoed these halls during the time I have spent here.

This is truly a special place. In your everyday trials and tribulations you may lose track of that, but it really is. When you are here you are part of a family, people care. I will miss those things the most. More than anything I wanted to let you all know that I owe



Mike Thunder, House of Wellness Security Officer.

you more thanks than I can ever say or show. Everything I have done for you is a mere drop in the bucket compared to what you have done for me.

Thank you all,
Mike Thunder
P.S.

For those of you wondering, my last day here at HOW will be Friday August 9th. I will then be on vacation. My last day in the state is probably going to be the 16th of August. I will do my best to stay in contact and send you annoying postcards that show sunsets and beaches and all that California stuff in February. If any of you are ever out that way, you have a friend, just look me up!

Local Baraboo radio and television station interviews for upcoming House of Wellness radio spots

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

For the past month or so local radio and TV station WRPQ in Baraboo has been doing interviews with some of the fitness personnel at the House of Wellness for a radio spot that will soon be debuting on several local radio stations.

According to Scott Gilbeck, House of Wellness Fitness Coordinator the spots are a little different than spots they have used in the past.

“We have done spots for the House of Wellness and with these new ones they will be our fitness personnel speaking instead of a radio pitchman. We need to get the message out there that the facility is open to the public. I think there are a lot of folks who think we are only open to tribal members and our employees. We need to make sure they know we have this great complex that is open to all” Scott said.

The interviews have also been videotaped for the possibility of using this

footage for TV commercials that may take place at a later time. WRPQ President of Baraboo broadcasting Jeff Smith and camera man Steve Andersen were on hand on Tuesday the 6th doing more interviews.

“We have done some other interviews and we have one or more to do to have enough to begin editing for the spots. We can start with these and go from there. We just want to have the footage in case you folks want to do some TV commercials” Smith said.

The fitness personnel that have been interviewed so far include Scott Gilbeck, Unga Stacy, Kurt Greendeer, Lance Tallmadge and Zumba instructor Erika Obois.

Gilbeck has stated that with the addition of Zumba and Aquatic Aerobic classes they facility has experienced a jump in membership.

“Even though you would think membership would drop a bit in the summer, the decrease isn’t that bad. A lot of folks don’t want to



Zumba instructor Erika Obois is interviewed by WRPQ President Jeff Smith and cameraman Steve Andersen.

exercise in the heat so they still prefer to come in and exercise and with the Zumba and aquatic classes there has been some real good participation. We have people who were members before that are coming back to take advantage of some of the new classes and trainings we have” Gilbeck said.

The House of Wellness

has shown increases in profits and with the increase of memberships they are working on increasing the hours of operation on the weekends. The exact dates and times have not been worked out yet but with the help of the Department of Administration the facility is preparing to accommodate the expected rise in membership.

With the new radio spots and possible TV commercials the House of Wellness staff is preparing for another increase in membership.

At any rate, the staff is always working on any other programs and trainings that they can make available to the public.

Keeping purchases local

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Senior Manager-Public Relations-HCG-Nekoosa/Wittenberg

Do you feel a sense of pride when you buy something local or organic? It's nice to buy something that came from your area. Ho-Chunk Gaming-Nekoosa and Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg feel the same way about this statement. The Purchasing Departments at both facilities try to buy locally when they can. If they are looking for big ticket items they will try to find something in the area and then go from there.

Recently, Ho-Chunk Gaming-Nekoosa held a drawing for the 2013 Hog Days of Summer Promotion on Saturday, July 27, 2013 at

10:30pm. A local resident, Bonnie Clendenning, from Plover, Wisconsin was the winner of the 2013 Harley Trike. The total estimated value of the Trike was \$29,000.00.

What makes this drawing interesting is that the Harley came from a local dealer in the state of Wisconsin. It was purchased from Sauk Prairie Harley Davidson in Sauk City, Wisconsin. Barbara Kelley, HCG-Nekoosa/Wittenberg Marketing Director states, "Buying local is important to me in both my business and personal life. I think we should all do whatever we can to keep our local communities and business thriving and growing."

Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg is also holding

an Extreme Off Road Giveaway of a Polaris Ranger 900 on August 24, 2013. The Polaris Ranger 900 was purchased from a local dealership, Antigo Yamaha, which is located in Antigo, WI. The value of the Polaris is \$13,700.00. LeAnthony Pecore, HCG-Wittenberg Promotions Manager states, "The benefit of buying locally is you support your local economy, including businesses and their employees."

It is great to see that both gaming facilities are being active in purchasing products that are local and come from Wisconsin. Not only does buying local benefit the local community, it's good for local jobs, great for the environment, and local



Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg Staff – L to R: LeAnthony Pecore, Gary Snowadzki, Lynette LeGarde, Byron Thundercloud, Courtney Gauthier, Shelley Wilkinson, Alecia Webster, Ryan Miller.

businesses tend to give back to their local communities. There are numerous beneficial

layers that are great for the area when one chooses to buy local.

HCG-Nekoosa sponsors Relay For Life of Marshfield Area

Submitted by Lynette LeGarde, Senior Manager-Public Relations-HCG-Nekoosa/Wittenberg

Over 300 people came together on Friday, August 2, 2013 on the Marshfield Middle School Track for the Mardi Gras themed American



Ho-Chunk Gaming-Nekoosa Staff-L to R: Duane Shoemaker, Sandy Coon, Dustin Arendt, Missy Redcloud, Evelyn Arendt, Karen Roy.

Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Marshfield, Wisconsin. Ho-Chunk Gaming-Nekoosa was a sponsor of the Relay For Life Marshfield Area and presented a check for \$1000.00 to the 2013 Marshfield Area Relay Planning Committee. There were 30 teams that participated in the event. They had speakers which included: Mindy Gribble, Marshfield Clinic Survivorship Program Coordinator, Dr. Anna Seydel, Marshfield Clinic Surgeon, and Kevin Sharp. At 2:00am the Marshfield Area celebrated the 100th Birthday Celebration of the American Cancer Society with cupcakes, pumpkin bars and goodie bags which were donated. They raised approximately \$85,000.00 for this event. Money raised at this event will go to support cancer research, The Hope Lodge, Road to



Kneeling from (l-r): Abby (purple shirt), Lindsey (white shirt), Amy Zondlo Back Row, standing (l-r): Kay Leick, Denise Horn, Lynette LeGarde (HCG-Nekoosa), Maribeth Pankratz, Heather Adler, Linda Hinrichsen.

Recovery Program, and driver assistance.

Ho-Chunk Gaming is supporting 30 Relay for Life Events this year. The next

Ho-Chunk Gaming Sponsored Relay For Life will be Celebrate Life on September 8, 2013 in Lake Delton, WI.

Super Charged Summer Corvette Giveaway

Submitted by Nehomah Thundercloud, Senior Manager Public Relations-HCG-Wis. Dells

Ho-Chunk Gaming – Wisconsin Dells gave away another Super Charged Summer Grand Prize, a 2013 Corvette, on Friday, July 26, 2013.

Kenneth Kruse, of Portage, was the lucky winner. "I came here tonight with my daughter. This is so nice," said Kruse. The words Kruse shared were limited due to the shock. However, he did share that he arrived in a Toyota Yarus.

The last Super Charged Summer Grand Prize, a 2013 Dodge Charger, will go on Friday, August 30, 2013.

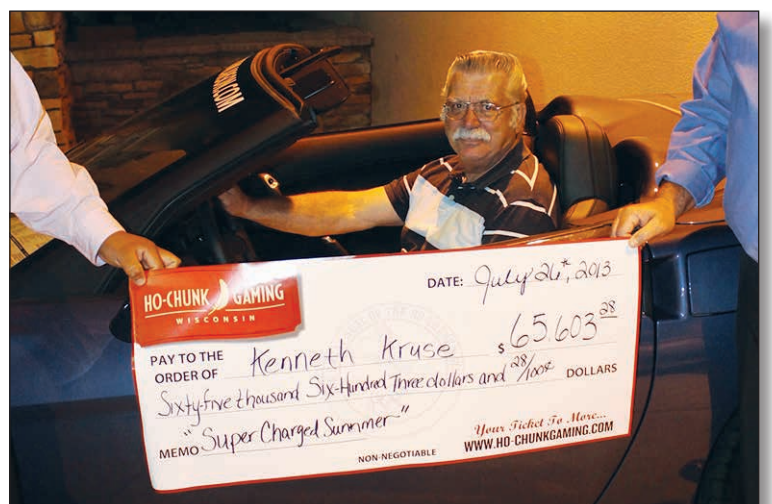
Sundays and Mondays – Hot Seat Drawings are done every half hour from 11am to 10:30pm for \$100 in Rewards Play. Entries are earned for the 11pm bonus drawing for \$1,000 cash. Both Slot and Table Game players are eligible.

Fridays and Saturdays – Hot Seat Drawings are done every half hour from 3pm to 10:30pm for \$200 in Rewards Play. Earn five additional entries into the end of the month Super Charged Grand

Prize drawing at 11pm on August 30 for a 2013 Dodge Charger!

Additional Promotions: Passport to More, Now thru September 2, Rewards Club members that visit each of Ho-Chunk Gaming's six locations are eligible for over \$250 in Rewards Play. Grab the Passport at any Rewards Club Booth to start earning Free Play.

For more information on other exciting promotions, stop by the Guest Service counter at Ho-Chunk Gaming or go on-line at www.hochunkgaming.com.



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Rivers as Bridges conference held at Ho-Chunk Convention Center

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

Rivers as Bridges (RAB) is an international program that examines the sister-river relationship of the Mississippi River in America and the Yangtze River in China. The Yangtze and Mississippi have rich histories and are vital channels of culture, commerce and conservation in each nation.

RAB is focused for the next 10 years on an effort to connect the people of the Yangtze (Chang Jiang) and Mississippi Rivers by sharing stories and information about their lives, work and dependence on water that culminates with the 50th anniversary of the signing of the Sino-US Joint Communiqué.

RAB is dedicated to finding ways to sustain not just the Yangtze and Mississippi but all working river systems from the grass roots up. It recognizes that knowledge, beliefs, culture and political economy have shaped, and have been shaped by, the

environment.

This is the second time that Chinese students have visited the Ho-Chunk. Last year they came with about 25 students. This visit they showed up 170 curious students.

Rivers as Bridges President Xiaodong Kuang PhD explains how this project started.

“This practice started in 2006 when some Chinese students from the UW Madison wanted to create a platform for both students from China and the US to share the experiences and to learn from each other about the natural conservation because when we came here we were impressed by the natural conservation here in Wisconsin. We established a non-profit organization called Environment and Public Health, a network for Chinese students and scholars. Since then we have organized groups of students from China and US to make field trips around the states of Wisconsin, Iowa and Illinois and do some field research

projects together. In 2010 we started a program called Rivers as Bridges, the basic idea was that in China, the Yangtze river, the mother river and in the states the Mississippi River was being polluted and we looked at restorations and the loss of animal habitat, problems shared by both countries and these important rivers. We would like to help the younger generations to be aware of these problems and to work together to address and work to solve these problems. From there we formed this student exchange program in 2010 where top university students from China visited the Ho-Chunk area and partook in smudging and other ceremonies, sharing cultural practices and the Chinese students were very impressed with how the Ho-Chunk people lived. They felt that the Ho-Chunk people were truly concerned with environmental issues, the water and the air and saving Mother Earth” Kuang said.

Since then the group has organized these field trips for the Chinese students to visit the area.

Last year they brought 24 students to the Dells and this year there were about 170 high school and middle school students that came to the area. The group feels united and blessed to be able to share customs, traditions and cultural practices with the Ho-Chunk youth. The group that was here last year shared their stories with their families, friends and schools and they believe that is how the group of visitors grew since last year.

“The students that had heard about the Ho-Chunk people and their way of life made sure they would come back this year and relive those experiences” Kuang added.

He invited the Ho-Chunk to come to China next year to learn more about their customs and traditions.

Emcee Elliott Funmaker welcomed the crowd of about 400 people to the Convention Center along with co-emcee Xiaodong Kuang, PhD.

The Chinese students performed for the crowd with several entertaining acts which included singing, dancing and musical numbers by Guzheng performer, Emaye and her accompaniment and Chinese Ancient Dance by the Living Streams Dance School. The crowd favorite may have been the Chinese Dragon Dance.

The Ho-Chunk Youth Drum and Dance Troupe performed traditional songs and shared music with the curious Chinese students along with talks from former Miss Indian America Melanie Tallmadge-Sainz.

A smudging ceremony was given by Henry Whitethunder that the students partook in.

Closing the day’s festivities



Elliott Funmaker emceed the day’s event.



Chinese students give gifts to the Ho-Chunk Singers and dancers.



Chinese delegates present President Greendeer with gift.

President Jon Greendeer bid a farewell to the Chinese delegation saying that it was his honor and privilege to host this year’s event again. Through a Chinese interpreter Greendeer said this was a very significant and historic day for the Nation, the State of Wisconsin and the US and China as well.

“I am a member of the Deer Clan, one of twelve clans of the Ho-Chunk and my responsibility is to work for the people. We are not only a government but also a business. We have called this place home for thousands of years before anyone knew this country as America. We have survived famine, natural disaster, war and starvation. We have done so because of what the Creator has given us to survive, our air, soil, plants, and ancestry, but most importantly our rivers and waterways. As we celebrate how unique our cultures are let us also share how similar how our way of lives are

in survival and that we all depend on food, water and shelter in all that we are given and we appreciate all those that stand in good faith with our own creation, our land and water and I believe that this organization ties us together by our loyalty to this earth. Your presence here today has brought the Ho-Chunk people great honor. We thank you for joining us just for this small part of a big journey that you are all on and we are glad to have you and welcome you as guests. So on behalf of the Ho-Chunk Nation and on behalf of the Ho-Chunk people we thank you and have a wonderful rest of your journey” Greendeer said in a closing statement.

The gathering ended with the Ho-Chunk Youth groups presenting the Chinese students with painted banners that symbolized love and peace and unity.



Students from the Living Stream Dance School entertained the crowd.



Ho-Chunk Youth Dance Troupe wait to go on.



Ho-Chunk performers and Chinese students dance the two-step.

Friends of Mirror Lake get money donated by Ho-Chunk Nation

Sherman Funmaker
Staff Writer

The Friends of Mirror Lake began in the late 1990's with a small group of volunteers who over the next 20 years has grown to a group of 25+ volunteers making a big difference for the guests and campers at Mirror Lake State Park, located in Baraboo, Wisconsin. As a result of their commitment, hard work, and dedication, the group was awarded the Hero Award from the State organization Friends of Wisconsin State Parks as the Outstanding Friends Group in 2011.

In 2012, the Friends of Mirror Lake undertook the biggest project to date for the park – a new seating area for



Area II Legislator David Greendeer speaks of about the relationship between the Ho-Chunk Nation and Mirror Lake State Park.

the amphitheater. Through our fundraising efforts of fire wood and concession sales, we were able to donate \$50,000 to the project with a \$20,000 State matching grant to fully fund the project. The project was completed in June 2012.

At a ceremony held at the Mirror Lake Amphitheater on Monday, August 5th the Ho-Chunk Nation donated \$25,000 to the building project. The donation will help complete the sound and lighting part of the project.

"Friends of Mirror Lake will graciously accept the generous gift to assist with the amphitheater and staging project," said Cindy Cseri, Friends of Mirror Lake President. "As a result of the Ho-Chunk Nations commitment and dedication to the education and cultural outreach programs and the natural resources offered at Mirror Lake State Park, we will be able to complete our vision of offering a natural beautiful, captivating venue for our programs, events and ceremonies for generations to come."

In 2013 the stage area will be renovated and lit for presentations, theatrical performances, dancers, or those who wish to use it for weddings. Donations are encouraged to help meet the financial need to finish this project.

This area, once completed, will host naturalist programs



Tribal member Bill Lowe, Friends of Mirror Lake President Cindy Cseri, Friend member Waldo Peterson, Area II Legislator David Greendeer, Ho-Chunk Nation Vice-President Heather Cloud, Friend of Mirror Lake member Dianne Kropp and Park Superintendant Becky Green.

as well as provide a wonderful venue for more elaborate, multi media events for our guests/campers. If you are interested in presenting an educational program (eagle habitat, how to spot owls, etc) or entertainment event (small plays, readings, musical events, etc) please contact us at ckcseri@rucls.net

The Nation and Friends have a long history of working together. The tribe in the past has given money to help build the education center at Mirror Lake State Park.

"I think the friendship between the Nation and Mirror Lake actually started before the Friends of Mirror Lake even started. There were plenty of Ho-Chunk families that were around and we've been interacting anyway. It's just maintaining the same relationships that were established years ago," said Area II Legislator David Greendeer, who was on hand to present the \$25,000 check to the Friends of Mirror Lake.

Greendeer grew up on Ishnala Road and has strong feelings about the

need to protect the area's environment.

"It is all of our responsibilities to preserve Mother Earth, the land is number one" Greendeer added.

The project is slated to be finished by Memorial Day 2014.

The amphitheater is available for reservations by the public and the park has already hosted a wedding last year.

Ho-Chunk Nation Vice-President Heather Cloud also attended the ceremony.

Native American Public Telecommunications rebrands itself as Vision Maker Media

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In a marketing and rebranding move, Native American Public Telecommunications, Inc. (NAPT) has announced its official new corporate name as Vision Maker Media.

It is the third name change for the company, which was initially known as the Native American Public Broadcasting Consortium when founded in 1977, and then NAPT starting in 1995.

"A New Year often brings new beginnings, and 2013 is no exception for our organization," said Brian Bull (Nez Perce), chair of Vision Maker Media (formerly NAPT) on the organization's website. "After much review and discussion over the past year, we're now officially Vision Maker Media. We hope you're as excited for the name change as much as we

are!"

Bull says the change was a welcome adjustment to reflect a brand "that was catchy, yet representative of Native American values."

He also laughed lightheartedly at the formerly misleading name. "It was joked that with the name," Native American Public Telecommunications, "people were convinced we were selling phones or Internet services!"

Vision Maker Media, a nonprofit that receives funding from the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, supports the creation, promotion and distribution of Native media. It is a highly regarded source for informative Native American and Pacific Islander educational and home videos. All aspects of their programs encourage young people to learn more about careers in the media and to be the next

generation of storytellers. Located at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Vision Maker Video offers student employment, internships and fellowships.

The name change is only the start of the company's revamped platform. Vision Maker Media also plans to increase its online presence with a redesigned website.

"In February 2013, to coincide with our organization's 37th anniversary, we'll be launching a new website that focuses on serving our multi-client base through defined user needs and an ease-of-functionality user-interface design," said Shirley K. Sneve (Rosebud Sioux), executive director of Vision Maker Media.

In addition to the main website, the company is expanding its reach through all social media platforms to include: Facebook, Twitter,

Pinterest, Tumblr, Google+ and YouTube.

And, as a name change generally merits, Vision Maker Video has adopted a new logo—the silhouette of an eagle spreads its wings in the shape of a "V".

"This transition also includes a new logo, an eagle in silhouette captured in flight," said Bull on the website. "The eagle is revered in many Native circles as a messenger, protector and leader. Its feathers are considered sacred, and its reverence extends to modern American symbolism as well as traditional Native American spirituality."

The company thoughtfully considered every detail of the redesign.

"The new logo's colors are also representative of our culture," Bull said. "Perhaps the deep, reddish-orange reminds you of the beautiful pipestone found in select

quarries across the upper Midwest, the sprawling canyons and gulches of the Rockies and Southwest, the rugged pines of our forests or mesas, or just the rich complexion of our Native people! The turquoise reminds me of the skies over my native Idaho, and some of the waters near the Gulf...not to mention some of the great jewelry one finds in Santa Fe!"

For more information, visit www.visionmakermedia.org.

"Clarity, relevance, and leadership...some of the core values we at Vision Maker Media strive to bring you in our content, every day," said Bull. "We hope you'll embrace this new identity, and spread the word so that others in the Native and non-Native community will quickly become familiarized with it."

Shawano Country Tourism Council receives 3rd year tourism grant

Second year of the event generated over \$185,000 in economic impact

Submitted by Danielle Johnson, Wisconsin Department of Tourism

The Shawano Country Tourism Council continues to attract new visitors with the help of a \$8,000 Joint Effort Marketing (JEM). The Shawano Country Miles of Art Fall Fest, Oct. 5-6, is a Year-3 event that showcases art and culture in the Shawano area. Last year, the event generated an economic impact of \$185,224 from traveler spending at area hotels, restaurants and stores.

“The art and cultural opportunities in the area are incredible and we’re thrilled to support marketing efforts for the Shawano Country Miles of Art Fall Fest for a third year in a row,” said Tourism Secretary Stephanie Klett. “With fantastic activities including Native American heritage, art studio and barn quilt tours, and beautiful fall color, this event will continue to make a positive impact in the community.”

Shawano Country Miles of Art highlights the incredible art offerings in the Shawano area. A self-guided tour takes visitors to art studios, past more than 200 barn quilts, Gresham Community Quilts, and Walls of Wittenberg

murals, all of which are located on the area’s most scenic fall color drives. There will also be a “Go Green” juried art exhibit, the 8th annual Oktoberfest and Shawano Farmers Market (Oct. 5) along with live music. Grant funds will go towards print advertising to supplement additional advertising and public relations efforts.

In fiscal 2013, the Department funded 56 Joint Effort Marketing projects, awarding a total of nearly \$1.2 million dollars. Visitor expenditures driven by the marketing from these projects will exceed \$36 million dollars. In 2012, the tourism economy in Wisconsin totaled an estimated \$16.8 billion, a five percent increase over 2011. Traveler spending in Adams County topped \$176 million in 2012. Tourism in the county supports over 2,300 jobs and \$22 million in state and local taxes.

“We appreciate this support from the Department of Tourism. JEM funding allows us to promote Shawano Country Miles of Art to a much wider audience which will increase the number of visitors who will experience our unique visual and performing arts,



Sarah Fischer, Wisconsin Department of Tourism, presents an \$8,000 check to members of the Shawano Country Miles of Art Committee and Shawano Country Tourism Council. Pictured (l. to r.) are Lynette LeGarde (Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg), Barbara Kelley (Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg), Pamela Szutkowski (Ho-Chunk Gaming-Wittenberg), Patti Peterson, Greg Seymour, Sarah Fischer, Mike Schuler, Judi Raddant, Nancy Smith, Jean McCulloch Harper, and James Leuenberger.

Native American culture, and beautiful fall colors,” said Patti Peterson, Tourism Manager, Shawano Country Tourism Council.

JEM grant funds are available to non-profit organizations for the promotion of Wisconsin tourism events and destinations. The State can fund up to 75 percent of a project’s first year advertising and marketing

costs and provides support for second and third year projects, but with decreasing amounts for funding each year until projects become self-sustaining. For information on the JEM Program and application materials, visit <http://industry.travelwisconsin.com>.

The mission of the Wisconsin Department of Tourism is to market the State as the Midwest’s

premier travel destination by executing industry-leading marketing programs and establishing strategic partnerships. The Department plays a significant role in generating greater economic impact and jobs for Wisconsin. The portal for traveler information can be found at: www.travelwisconsin.com.

Recovery Film Festival

The first Recovery Film Festival will be held on Sept. 6 & 7, 2013 the historic Al. Ringling Theater in Baraboo, WI as a part of National Recovery Month.

The films have been chosen to illustrate that addiction is a treatable illness and that recovery is possible. Many of the films are based on the true stories of people who have suffered from alcoholism and drug addiction and recovered through treatment and the support of 12-step programs. Others are realistic portrayals of the devastation caused by addiction. All contain a message of hope.

National Recovery Month is a national observance that educates Americans on the fact that addiction treatment and mental health services can enable those with a mental and/or substance use disorder to live a healthy and rewarding life. National Recovery Month spreads the positive message that behavioral health is essential to overall health, prevention works, treatment is effective, and people can and do recover.

Each September, thousands of prevention, treatment, and recovery programs and services around the country celebrate their successes and share them with their neighbors, friends, and colleagues in an effort to educate the public about

recovery, how it works, for whom, and why. There are millions of Americans whose lives have been transformed through recovery. These successes often go unnoticed by the broader population; therefore, National Recovery Month provides a vehicle to celebrate these accomplishments. The Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Behavioral Health has partnered with the Friends of the Al. Ringling Theater to present the Recovery Film Festival.

The 2013 National Recovery Month theme “Together on Pathways to Wellness” emphasizes the many ways that people can prevent behavioral health issues, seek treatment, and sustain recovery as part of a commitment to living a mentally, physically, emotionally, and spiritually healthy life. This theme also reflects the Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Behavioral Health’s mission “to provide services that promote wellness through healing of the body, mind and spirit”.

Six state and nationally known speakers will address topics related to the films. Dr. Zorba Paster will present the keynote address on Friday, September 6. Also presenting on Friday will be Dr. Ken Thompson, Chief Medical Officer of Recovery Innovations (RI)

and an Associate Professor of Psychiatry and Public Health at the University of Pittsburgh and Western Psychiatric Institute and Clinic and Dr. Wes Sowers, Medical Director for the Office of Behavioral Health in the Department of Human Services of Allegheny County and founder of the Allegheny County Coalition for Recovery. Saturday’s presenters will include Bernestine Jeffers, Women’s AODA Treatment/FASD State Coordinator for the Wisconsin Bureau of Prevention Treatment and Recovery, Division of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services’ Department of Health Services,

Joe and Stephanie WhiteEagle, addictions counselors for Ho-Chunk Nation Division of Behavioral Health at Wanaiguni Hocira (the House of Wellness) in Baraboo, WI, and Laurie L. Duraney, LCSW, Behavioral Health Clinician II at the House of Wellness.

The Schedule for the Recovery film Festival is as follows:

Friday, Sept. 6, 2013
9:00 a.m. Keynote: Dr. Zorba Paster
10:00 a.m. The Basketball Diaries (1995)
12:00 p.m. Lunch Break
1:00 p.m. When a Man Loves a Woman (1994)
3:00 p.m. Dr. Ken Thompson

4:00 p.m. Crazy Heart (2009)
6:00 p.m. Dr. Wes Sowers
Saturday, Sept. 7, 2013
9:00 a.m. 28 Days (2000)
11:00 a.m. Bernestine Jeffers
12:00 p.m. Lunch Break

1:00 p.m. Smoke Signals (1998)
2:30 p.m. Joseph and Stephanie WhiteEagle
3:30 p.m. My Name is Bill W (1989)
5:00 p.m. Laurie L. Duraney, LCSW

Technical assistance grant awarded

Submitted by Cynthia De Florian, Project Manager, HCN Department of Business

On July 19, 2013 the Ho-Chunk Nation was awarded a \$169,000 technical assistance grant through the Department of the Interior’s Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED), through its Division of Energy and Mineral Development (DEMD). The DEMD provides technical and economic services to assist tribal nations to achieve economic self-sufficiency by creating sustainable economies through the environmentally sound development of their energy and mineral resources. The grant funds were awarded as part of the DEMD’s Energy and Mineral Development Program (EMDP), which provides funding to Indian tribes with

the mission of assessing and evaluating energy resources with the prospect of a sustainable energy future and preserving cultural traditions. The Department uses a competitive evaluation process to select proposed projects to receive an award.

The Ho-Chunk Nation’s grant award states the funding will be utilized to complete a due diligence review of previous studies, conduct a waste composition analysis, a technology review, a conceptual development plan, and/or a market analysis as well as explore preliminary environmental and permitting reviews, financial analysis, and community outreach activities. These studies will help the Nation evaluate whether or not the proposed renewable energy project is in their best interest for attaining their energy development goals.”

TITO
YBARRA
"SHERRY SCHIMMEL"

DEANNA
DIAZ

ADRIANNE
CHALEPAH



Ladies

of Native Comedy

FREE COMEDY NIGHT

AUGUST 30TH | DOORS OPEN AT 10PM | SHOW STARTS AT 10:30PM
HO-CHUNK GAMING BLACK RIVER FALLS BINGO HALL

HO-CHUNK GAMING
BLACK RIVER FALLS

WWW.HO-CHUNKGAMING.COM/BLACKRIVERFALLS
W9010 HWY 54 EAST BLACK RIVER FALLS, WI 54615 | 800-657-4621

MUST BE 21 OR OLDER TO ATTEND EVENTS. HO-CHUNK GAMING
RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CANCEL OR ALTER PROMOTIONS/EVENTS AT ANY TIME.

BLACK RIVER FALLS | MADISON | NEKOOSA | TOMAH | WISCONSIN DELLS | WITTENBERG

The Trial Court is physically located at Wa Ehi Hocira, W9598 Highway 54 East, Black River Falls, (Jackson County) Wisconsin. The Trial Court's mailing address is P. O. Box 70, Black River Falls, WI 54615. The telephone number is (715) 284-2722, or toll free 800-434-4070, and the facsimile number is (715) 284-3136.

Ho-Chunk Nation presents...

16TH ANNUAL ALL NATIONS CO-ED SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

AUG 31th - SEPT 1st, 2013

Black River Falls, WI

Sandpillow Ball Fields
(4mi East of BRF on HWY 54, just NE of HCG-BRF)

1st	\$3500
2nd	\$3000
3rd	\$2500
4th	\$2000
5th	\$1000
6th	\$500

Furthest Team Traveled- \$400
2nd Furthest- \$200

DOUBLE ELIMINATION
\$350 Entry Fee
16 TEAM LIMIT

ENTRY DEADLINE:
WED AUGUST 28th, 2013

***MUST PROVIDE PROOF OF TRIBAL
MEMBERSHIP (TRIBAL ID OR CDIB DOCUMENTATION)**

For Rules and Information contact Andi Cloud
Email: cloud.andi@gmail.com Phone: 715-299-4110

(Absolutely NO alcohol or drugs permitted. NOT responsible for injuries, lost or stolen items.)

Job Title:
Administrative Secretary
Department: Blk Rvr
Fls-Dental-Admin
Center: Black River Dental
Location: Black River Falls, WI
Application Deadline:
Position Number: MC130868
Date Posted 08/01/2013
Schedule M-F; 7:00 am - 5:00 pm, variable
Hours Per Week: 40
Position Availability: Full-time
Eligible for ERP Bonus: No
Job Description:
The Administrative Secretary provides administrative support to the dentists and manager. The Administrative Secretary is responsible for various personnel, financial and statistical functions.
Job Qualifications:
Education: Associate's degree and/or five years of related experience. (Education qualifications must be from a school whose accreditation is recognized by Marshfield Clinic.)
License/Certification: Completion of Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) certification within one year and maintain throughout employment.
Experience: Exceptional Microsoft Office skills with the ability to create shared directories, files, spreadsheets and data bases.
Exclusion from Federal Programs: Employee may not at any time have been or be excluded from participation in any federally funded program, including Medicare and Medicaid. This is a condition of employment. Employee must immediately notify his/her manager or the Clinic's Compliance Officer if he/she is threatened with exclusion or becomes excluded from any federally funded program.
Please submit your Cover Letter and Resume along with the online employment application.
www.marshfieldclinic.org

House Wanted
I am looking to purchase a pre-existing tribal home on trust land. Property and structure must pass all HOP inspection criteria. Interested parties may email at arhstonewall@gmail.com or phone 406-787-6323 (please leave a message).

The Wisconsin Dells Area Meeting

for August 15, 2013 is

RESCHEDULED

to

Wednesday, August 21, 2013

6:00 p.m.

Indian Heights Community Building
Wisconsin Dells, WI

Posted on: 08/02/13



HO-CHUNK NATION
PEOPLE OF THE BIG VOICE

Nekoosa Community DM Breakfast



We have moved to a new location in downtown Nekoosa.
Our new address: 315 1st Street.
The DM breakfast will continue to be served the second Friday of each month at 10:00am.
Please join us for a healthy breakfast, activity and raffle.

September 13th • October 11th
November 8th • December 13th

Sponsored by the diabetes grant

**Notice of Monthly Meeting
HHCDA
Ho-Chunk Housing & Community Development Agency
(HUD Housing)**

HHCDA Commissioners Lee Brown Jr., Colin Carrimon, Francis Decorah, Martin Littlewolf Jr., Leonard Walker, Gerald Cleveland, Terrence Johnson, Cheri Byhre, Lisa Stroessner, and John Dall

**Will meet on Monday, August 19th, 2013
At 8:00 AM**

At the HHCDA Office in Tomah (Corner of Monowau Street & Sime Avenue)


Agenda items by Wednesday, August 14th, 2013 to the Board Secretary at 608-374-1245, extension 222.

Public meeting notice:
**Ho-Chunk Nation
Department of Health
Health Accreditation Board**


Regular monthly meeting to be held:
9:00 AM August 16th, 2013

Community Classroom
Ho-Chunk Health Care Center
N6520 Lumber Jack Guy Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615

Call for more information or if special accommodation is required:
(715) 284-9851



Hocak Weight Lifting Club



S2845 White Eagle Road
Baraboo, WI 53913
608 355-5155

Attention Ho-Chunk adults, youth and children of enrolled members, ages 13-18 interested in weight lifting.

Sign up now through August 16th at the House of Wellness Fitness & Aquatic Center.

Attend an informational meeting on Monday, Aug. 19th either at noon or 6:30 PM at the HOW gymnasium.

Initial class with a certified lifting coach to learn proper form and technique.

Questions? Contact
Paul Roberts- proberts9084@gmail.com
or Scott Gilbeck- scott.gilbeck@ho-chunk.com

Improve overall athletic performance with strength & conditioning.

WOMEN

Mind
Body
Spirit

Black River Falls Women's Talking Circle

A comfortable place to explore new ideas and perspectives.

TOPIC: Healthy Relationships & Independence

This month we will be discussing:

- What is a healthy relationship?
- What are reasonable expectations?
- What are the signs that you are in an unhealthy relationship?
- Keeping your individuality while in a relationship.

TOPIC: Healthy Relationships

WHEN: Tuesday, August 20, 2013


WHERE: Social Services Bldg
808 Red Iron Rd. BRF, WI

TIME: 5 P.M. - 7 P.M.


CONTACT: Hera Lonetree-Rindahl/Facilitator
(715) 284-9851 ext. 5012

This group meets monthly on the third Tuesday of each month. All women are welcome.

Take control of your life.



Sponsored by the Domestic Abuse Division
HCN Department of Social Services
808 Red Iron Road
Black River Falls, WI 54615
(715) 284-2622
Domestic Abuse Hotline: (877) 847-8689




PUBLIC NOTICE


Ho-Chunk Nation Child Care Assistance Program

Sept. 6, 2013 • 4:30-6:00 PM

BRF - HCN Tribal Complex Cafeteria


- Registration, Snacks Available
- Review New Plan for Child Care Assistance Program
- Questions, Share Your Ideas
- What Helps, What Doesn't Help





the basics

memory loss, dementia and alzheimer's disease



an education program by the alzheimer's association

Alzheimer's disease is not a normal part of aging.

If you or someone you know is affected by Alzheimer's disease or dementia, it's time to learn the facts. This program provides information on detection, causes and risk factors, stages of the disease, treatment, and much more.

Hosted by: Alzheimer's Association

Time: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Date: Tuesday, August 27, 2013

Location: Ho-Chunk Health Care, N6520 Guy Rd., Black River Falls, WI 54615




August 2013 Talking Circles Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Contacts: BRF: Hera Lonetree-Rindahl (715) 284-9851 ext. 5012 Baraboo: Stephanie WhiteEagle (608) 355-1240 ext. 5568 Wittenberg: Jan Red Cloud (715) 793-4863 Nekoosa: Melanie White (715) 851-1967				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Women's Talking Circle BRF Social Service Bldg. 5-6 P.M.	14	15	16	17
18	19	20 Women's Talking Circle Wittenberg Community Office 5-6 P.M.	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Women's Talking Circle Nekoosa Community Bldg Chalk-Ha-Chee Lane 5-6 P.M.	28	29 Women's Talking Circle Baraboo House of Wellness 6-7 P.M.	30	31



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(715) 284-2622 ext. 5102
Domestic Abuse Crisis Hotline: (877) 847-8689

Each month these groups will discuss different issues and work to develop their own strength through a variety of activities.



L.I.F.E.

(Live In Freedom Everyday)

Join us monthly

for wide variety of activities and discussions on a variety of women's topics .

the last Thursday of each month

Where: House of Wellness
Behavioral Health Conference Room

When: Thursday, August 29, 2013

Time: 6:00— 7:00 P.M.

Contact: Stephanie WhiteEagle
(608) 355-1240 ext. 5568


TOPIC: Caring for yourself

Women often put themselves last on this list to be taken care of. We'll discuss why you are important, how to make your own wellbeing a priority and why it's important to ensure your own emotionally and physically well being.

Followed by a day of relaxation & enjoyment


ACTIVITY: Spa and wellness day

Date: Date & location to be agreed upon at the meeting



Sponsored by: Domestic Abuse Division of Social Services
CRISIS HOTLINE: (877) 847-8689

I believe in the person I want to become.



16TH ANNUAL BERT FUNMAKER
MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

DATE-

September 7 , 2013

WHERE-

Holiday Lodge

COST-

\$55 Entry Fee Includes:
greens fee, carts, and Steak
Dinner

REGISTRATION-

8:00 a.m.- 9:30 a.m.

SHOTGUN START AT 10:00 A.M.

4 Person Scramble- Luck of the Draw

For information contact Holiday Lodge at:
(608) 372-9314

2013 4-Nations Picnic

August 23rd @ the Northwood's County Park
7500 Park Lane, Arpin Wi.

10am-2:00pm

Door Prizes!

HYPNOSIS

BINGO

FOOD





Happy 4th
Birthday
Leo!

Love mom, dad, and the rest of the family!

Native American Church Devotions for

Wayne Funmaker's
80th Birthday

& his niece Tina Boisen

Saturday August 17, 2013
11 am – Meal to follow

Everyone is invited
@ Wayne Funmaker's residence
N7826 4th St., Eland, WI 54427



Ho-Chunk Nation Legislature
has approved an All Area Event!
This event will ONLY pay for enrolled
Ho-Chunk children and no adults.

*YS will not transport or take any youth.



This is a community event.

Please get your community together.
Submit your information to your Legislator.

A motion was made at the Finance Committee on August 1.



Mt Olympus Summer Hours:
10 am - 9 pm Outdoor Theme Park
10 am - 7 pm Outdoor Waterpark
10 am - 9 pm Indoor Theme Park
10 am - 10 pm Indoor Waterpark

*The entry ticket is
for the waterpark.
\$15 more will pay
for the whole park.

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September
Elders Birthdays



2 Nina Cleveland
Betty LaMere
Christine Steeples
3 John Perry Jr.
Bertha Gleason
Isabelle Mallory
4 Mary Jacobs
5 Alvena Foss
Roger Youngthunder
6 Arnold Darnell
William Lowe
Janette Smoke
7 Bernice Blackdeer
Norbert Dick
8 Richard
Gonzales, Sr.
Luther Lonetree
9 Sonja Walker
Twila Garvin
Jose Contreras
Pamela Winneshiek
11 Celestine
Contreras
Betty Gallagher
12 Adam Hall
13 Bernice Humphrey
14 Gale White
Glen White
15 Roy Garvin, Jr.
Georgianna
Funmaker
16 Cecelia Kraus
Terry Payer

16 Faye Begay
Jeffery Lowe
Judith Whitehorse
Clarice Jackson
17 Lester Green
Marsha Mahoney
Wayne Falcon
Josiah Thunder
Roger Thundercloud
Steven Thundercloud
18 Catherine Smoke
19 Geraldine Mach
Donna Sommers
George Stacy
20 Forrest Maisells
Susan Mallory
22 Willard Lonetree
Georgia Lonetree
24 Mary Natani
25 Mary E. Dumas
Howard Swallow
Martha Angell
26 Jean Day
Libby Fairchild
28 Ellen Snowball
Sheryl Winneshiek
Ward
Linda McHugh
Anne Mallory
29 Deforrest Funmaker
Henry Swan
Darlene Greengrass
30 Elaine Whiterabbit

Free Camping*Public Welcome**Ho-Chunk Nation*

LABOR DAY CONTEST POW-WOW

August 31 - Sept. 2, 2013

Andrew Blackhawk Memorial Pow-Wow Grounds

Black River Falls, WI

5 miles east of Black River Falls on Hwy 54

Grand Entries: Saturday. 1&7 Sunday. 1-7 Monday 1 PM

For Pow-Wow, Drum or Dance information contact Jon Pettibone at 715-299-0918

For Vendor info contact Deb Pettibone at 715-896-3477 or CaraLee Murphy at 715-299-1776

All Vendors must be Native American and provide official I.D.s or credentials from their tribe - \$150 Fee

The Ho-Chunk Nation, Labor Day Pow-Wow Committee or any involved organizers of this event are not responsible for accidents, injury or theft. Alcohol, drugs & firearms are absolutely prohibited at this event.

Ho-Chunk Youth Career Day - Back to School 2013

Monday, August 26, 2013

HCG-WD – Lower Dells C/D

10 AM- 1 PM

**Summer Report Cards Issued
Activities, Tours, Prizes, and FUN!**

Lunch Provided

Contacts:

Youth Services: Melanie or Sarina X5527

HCG-WD: Roberta X2451

